



PROBABLY A CASE OF SUICIDE

Unknown Man Shoots Himself Through the Head in Welch Block on 14th Street

CONVEYED TO THE HOSPITAL

Nothing on His Person to Indicate His Identity, But Evidently a Salesman, Bookkeeper or Employed at Light Work, and Not a Laborer.

Last evening at 10 minutes past 10 o'clock, while Nelo D. Johnson was going to a boat at the foot of Fourteenth street, in passing the new building being erected at the foot of the street by D. H. Welch, he heard a shot fired, sounding as if it came from the water underneath the building. Mr. Johnson, with Buster, his famous dog, went into the building and saw a man lying on the floor. He procured some matches and lighting them, found the man lying on his back with a 38 Iver-Johnson revolver clamped in his right hand lying on his breast. He was not dead, and an examination showed that the bullet had gone into the head back of the right ear, ranging upward and coming out on top of the skull. Johnson immediately notified Officer Linville who was close to the place, who summoned the hospital ambulance and had the man conveyed to the hospital, where he was laid on the operating table.

Officer Linville searched the man, but found nothing on his person to indicate his identity, not even a scrap of paper. He had a mutilated two-bit piece in his vest pocket and a chain, similar to those worn by Catholics, with a ring attached to it. He was dressed in a dark suit of clothes with a blue-striped soft shirt, and a hat bearing the imprint of the Famous clothing house of Portland. On his right wrist was a tattoo but no other marks could be ascertained. He was about 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighing about 150 pounds, smooth shaven and had the appearance of being a salesman, bookkeeper or employed at some light work, certainly bore no evidence of being a laboring man.

At 11 o'clock he was still unconscious, breathing and gasping with the indications that he could not live long. Medical aid was summoned but there was nothing that could be done for him. He was a stranger and Officer Linville believes he had seen him on the streets two days before. It was no doubt a case of deliberate suicide. Probably the man was despondent or brooding over some trouble and took this means of alleviating the same. As he probably died during the night, the body will be turned over to Coroner Gilbaugh who will hold an inquest and endeavor to ascertain his name, a bare possibility.

MYSTERIOUS CASE.

CHICAGO, May 4.—Following the clue of a Chicago postmark on his letter of appeal, search is being made for August Roeske, a farmer of Hancock, Wis., believed to be imprisoned and held for ransom near this city. The letter received by his wife at

FILED A PETITION IN BANKRUPTCY

SPOKANE, May 4.—J. Herbert Anderson has filed a petition in bankruptcy for the Idaho Smelting & Refining Company. He charges that a prominent Montana millionaire became interested in the company for the sole purpose of wrecking it and defrauding the creditors of the com-

Hancock asserts that the farmer has no idea of his present whereabouts. He tells of affable strangers, a business proposition, automobile ride, being relieved of his money and being held as hostage until more money is produced. Descriptions of his captors and the site where they met him are missing in his appeal.

YESTERDAY'S BALL SCORES.

Northwest League.
Vancouver 6, Portland 5 (11 innings).
Spokane 5, Tacoma 3.
Coast League.
Oakland 0, Vernon 1.
Sacramento 2, Los Angeles 11.
Portland 0, San Francisco 10.
National League.
Brooklyn 6, Boston 7.
Brooklyn 6, Boston 2.
Philadelphia 5, New York 2.
Chicago 0, Pittsburgh 1.
American League.
Boston 0, Washington 1.
St. Louis 4, Detroit 2.
Cleveland 10, Chicago 2.
New York 11, Philadelphia 3.

LOGGER INJURED IN DEEP RIVER LOGGING CAMP

ALBERT HAKALA BROUGHT TO HOSPITAL AND HIS LEG AMPUTATED.

While Albert Hakala, an employee of the Brix logging camp on Deep River was coming down on the logging train, he slipped from the car, falling under the wheels of a loaded car which ran over his leg, mashing it almost to a pulp. The injured man was brought to the hospital in this city by a launch and Dr. R. J. Pilkington called to attend him. An investigation showed that it was impossible to save the man's leg and accordingly it was amputated at the knee. At last reports he was resting easy with a good chance of recovery.

SECRETARY NICHOLS RE-SIGNS OFFICE

MAINTAINS HIS INNOCENCE AND WISHES HE WAS YOUNG AGAIN.

OLYMPIA, May 4.—Secretary of State Samuel Nicholas tendered his resignation to Governor Hay this afternoon. He will ask that it be immediately accepted. In his note to Governor Hay, Nicholas reiterates his innocence of wrongdoing and contends that his official life has been absolutely clean, but he says his age and the importuning of his family makes him physically unable to endure the stress of further legislation and court proceedings. He regrets that he is not in his vigor and strongly intimates if he were his enemies would have all the fight they were looking for.

COLORADO EPISCOPALIANS.

DENVER, May 4.—The Council of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Colorado, will meet in June and select a coadjutor bishop for Colorado. This step has been necessitated by the failing health of Bishop Charles S. Olmstead.

INCOME TAX IS DISCUSSED

Senate Devotes the Entire Day to Borah's Speech on the Income Tax Question

DEBATE AT TIMES TROPICAL

Other Questions in Tariff Bill Discussed Principally That of Jute Which is Claimed to be Made Dutiable Kentucky Will in Republican Column

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Notable speeches causing an interesting debate characterized the session of the senate today, occupying the entire session. Dooliver attacked the methods under which the protective tariff bills are formed and had a lively tilt with Senator Aldrich. The democratic senators remained silent. At times the Republican debate threatened to become acrimonious, but the Iowa senator was every ready with a humorous reply which called forth laughter when angry words seemed unavoidable. Senator Borah concluded his speech on the income tax. A strong plea was made by Bradley for an extension of the protective system to jute, who declared that with a protective policy covering the products of the State of Kentucky his state would be safely Republican hereafter. Resuming his speech on the income tax today Senator Borah contended that the matter could be well submitted to the supreme court of the United States. He said he placed the matter upon a higher plane than that of raising a little money for the government during the next few years. Senator Root stated that he did not think the property of the country bore a sufficient proportion of taxation.

After Senator Dooliver had spoken for three hours, Tillman requested that he suspend his argument until tomorrow, to permit the senate to adjourn. Tillman said he was not fatigued for he had never enjoyed anything more in his life, but the session had already run six hours. Dooliver agreed, but Aldrich announced that the discussion of the bill would go on nevertheless. After numerous appeals from the South Carolinian, Aldrich yielded, but he gave notice that the country is waiting for the passage of the bill and that hereafter the sessions would be longer.

CHARGED WITH VIOLATION OF POSTAL LAWS

EDITOR OF "APPEAL TO REASON" TO BE TRIED BEFORE THE COURT.

FORT SCOTT, Kan., May 4.—The trial of Fred Warren, manager and editor of the Appeal to Reason, a notorious socialist paper published at Girard, Kansas, charged with a violation of the United States postal laws began in the federal court here this afternoon. Ex-Governor Taylor of Kentucky will be one of the witnesses for the prosecution. The government charges Warren with having transgressed the postal law by sending through the mail his newspaper in envelopes on which was printed a reward for anyone who would return Taylor to Kentucky to stand trial for the alleged murdered of Governor Goebel.

JAPS UP AGAINST IT.

TOKIO, Saturday, March 27.—A tremendous effort has been made by the race track element in Japan to in-

duce the Government to retract and permit betting upon the tracks, but Marquis Katsura, the premier, has stood firm and for another year, at least, the race tracks of the empire will be without their favorite Paris mutuels or other form of betting. This means in Japan practically an end to horse racing and necessarily heavy loss to the stockholders of the various racetracks. The development of racing in Japan was extremely rapid. From a single course established at Yokohama by foreigners at least half a dozen tracks were in swing when the blow fell and gambling was prohibited. So flagrant were the cases of fraud and so numerous the examples of ruin brought about by reckless betting that the government suddenly put its foot down upon the whole enterprise.

STUDYING SIAMESE.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—Professor C. R. Bradley of the University of California has returned to this city from a visit to Siam made for the purpose of studying the language of that country. Among the ancient inscriptions which he deciphered was one on a tablet commemorating the invention of the Siamese written alphabet, the tablet bears a date corresponding to the year 1293 of our era.

EXPLOSION IN MONTANA KILLS FIVE MEN

STEAM SHOVEL BELONGING TO WINSTON BROTHERS, BLOWS UP.

NIMROD, May 4.—In an explosion today of a steam shovel belonging to Winston Bros., at Tyler's ranch, a few miles east of Nimrod five men were killed and two terribly injured. The five men killed comprised the shovel crew. One man was blown several hundred feet into Hell Gate river and the body has not been recovered. The injured men will probably die.

BRUTAL THUGS AT WORK.

CHICAGO, May 4.—Mrs. Margaret Riordan was attacked and robbed of two diamonds earrings valued at \$500 by a man last night near her home. After choking his victim the robber took a pair of pincers and tore the jewels from her ears. Her screams attracted the attention of neighbors, who found her lying on the pavement, her ears and neck covered with blood.

FINE WIRELESS WORK.

CHICAGO, May 4.—The first wireless dispatches ever transmitted between New York and Chicago were sent last night. Messages were sent from the wireless in the Auditorium annex to the receiving tower above the Waldorf-Astoria and from there telephones to various newspaper offices.

The sending apparatus in the Chicago office early in the evening was not strong enough to carry the signals to New York, although Chicago was in easy touch with New York. After midnight messages were sent from Chicago received in New York and an answer filed there and received again in Chicago within nine minutes.

EAST INDIANS UGLY.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—A. B. Napier, deputy commissioner of the Province of Nagpur, India, is spending a few days in this city en route, home on leave. He reports that the disorders in India may be traced to the natives who have been educated by the English and placed in small offices. Napier was nearly assassinated several months ago by a friend of some native thugs whose punishment he had secured. He was slashed in the back of the neck by a razor and only the fact that he was wearing an unusually high collar saved his life. Only the larger towns of India are affected with discontent according to the deputy commissioner.

LANDS NOT TO BE WITHDRAWN

Secretary Ballinger Issues Order Affecting Lands in Washington and Western States

RULING AN IMPORTANT ONE

Policy of Ex-President Roosevelt Relative to Withdrawing Government Lands For Administrative Purposes Will be Reversed by Department

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Reversing the policy adopted during the Roosevelt administration, Secretary Ballinger of the Interior Department who was restricted to a minimum amount of land the Department of Agriculture may withdraw from entry for improvements for administrative purposes, the Interior Department will hereafter not grant any request from the forest service for a withdrawal from entry for administrative purposes within the forest reservations, or lands within the States of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Colorado and Wyoming.

In all other states lands outside of the reservations may be withdrawn when the forest service show that necessities exist for such withdrawals. The decision was reached when Secretary Wilson, on behalf of the forestry service request a withdrawal of lands in the Cholan national forest in Washington, for a "billion administration site." Secretary Ballinger refused the request. Ballinger in so doing cited the law to show that such action would be, in his opinion suspending the laws as to land affected.

FIRE IS SUBDUED.

TACOMA, Wash., May 4.—Advices received by the Ledger early today state that the fire near Electron is gradually dying down and will probably be entirely extinguished by noon today. A pall of dense smoke overhangs the valley between Kapowsin and Orting, and for many hours yesterday residents for the district were in a state bordering on terror. Less than 300 acres have been burned over and little green timber damaged. Guards are patrolling the line of the transmission wires through the threatened district and unless a heavy wind should come up, it is believed, little damage will be done.

HER DEATH A MYSTERY.

Woman Found Drowned In Chicago Had Money In Bank

CHICAGO, May 4.—Six headquarters detectives, aided by telegraphic dispatches from the police of five other cities, have been unable to clear the mystery surrounding the identity of the woman found drowned in the lake off Lincoln park, with a key to a safe deposit box containing \$3,700 about her neck.

At the First National Bank the woman gave the name of Mrs. C. A. Lewis. Eight separate reports have been made during the last forty-eight hours of a missing "Mrs. Lewis" but in each case, with one exception, the woman reported as missing has been found.

The detectives are now convinced that the woman drowned is the one who lived for two weeks in a house in Dearborn Avenue. This woman gave her name as Mrs. Lewis, and in her rooms were found many medicines often prescribed for colds and stomach trouble. A prescription of a similar nature was found in a bag about the neck of the woman drowned.

DON'T WANT THE BENEFIT.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The failure of women to use the cars reserved for them on trains in the McAdoo tunnel has caused the management to con-

sider the reservation of such cars to an hour in the morning and one hour in the evening. It was found the cars were occupied by women only during the rush hours and that even then there are more women in the unreserved cars than in the reserved. The new order gives permission to men to occupy the cars reserved for women if they desire to do so.

HE SAVED SOME.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 4.—When two masked men entered the Hotel Shirley on Fifth Avenue near Pike street early this morning and covering him with revolvers, ordered A. C. Allen, the night clerk to give them the money in the safe, he pulled out a drawer containing \$50 and gave it to them. After compelling him to give up a diamond ring which Allen valued at \$125 the men departed. When the men had gone Allen said that an inner drawer which he did not open contained \$1,350.

AFTER THE RAILROADS IN MISSOURI

ATTORNEY GENERAL BRINGS SUITS AGAINST SIXTEEN COMPANIES.

JEFFERSON CITY, May 4.—Attorney-General Major instituted quo warranto proceedings in the Missouri supreme court today against 16 railroad companies charging them with having violated the common carrier law in conspiring and agreeing to fix passenger rates. Alternate writs were made returnable to the court on June 1st. The action, according to the attorney-general is the result of the railroads attempting to return to the 3-cent fare passenger rate following Judge McPherson's decision that the passenger and railroad laws were confiscatory and unconstitutional.

DEMOCRAT WINS ELECTION IN SPOKANE

LIQUOR CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR OR DEFEATED BY CLOSE TOWN CANDIDATE.

SPOKANE, May 4.—N. S. Pratt, democrat, defeated J. T. Omo, republican, for mayor today by a majority of from 500 to 700. While Pratt ran on the democratic ticket he stood on the non-partisan platform. Great interest was taken in the election from the fact that the liquor interests are said to have supported Omo, while Pratt received the support of the church element and those who were opposed to a wide-open town. The comptroller also went to the democrats while the race for treasurer is close.

REINDEER EXPERT.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 4.—W. T. Lopp, superintendent of Indian schools and reindeer herds in Northern Alaska has returned from a tour of his district during which time he sledged 1,240 miles much of the dis-

STOVE FACTORY DESTROYED

Fire at Salem Penitentiary Completely Destroys the Stove Factory

NONE OF PRISONERS ESCAPE

Foundry, Moulding Room and Polishing Room of the Northwest Stove Works Scans of a Conflagration Doing Damage to Extent of \$30,000.

SALEM, May 4.—The foundry, moulding room and polishing room of the Northwest Stove Works at the state penitentiary were completely destroyed by fire tonight entailing a loss of \$30,000. The fire originated in a blast this afternoon. It smouldered until late tonight, as there was no signs of a fire when the prisoners quit work for the day.

The flames spread with great rapidity carried along by greasy rafters before being discovered. At the first alarm all the guards were called out and the trustees released. As the flames advanced it became apparent that the main structure was not in danger unless the gasoline tanks exploded, and all the prisoners were kept in their cells although under a heavy guard. The fire fighting facilities were entirely inadequate and the only attempt made was to prevent the flames from communicating with the main structure where over 500 convicts were confined. All of the buildings destroyed had been recently remodeled and thousands of dollars of expensive machinery installed by Lowenberg & Going was utterly ruined. At midnight the fire was under control and all danger passed.

TAXICABS IN AFRICA.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Taxicabs have made their advent into South Africa, according to a report from American Consul Edwin N. Gernsauls at Johannesburg and the organized opposition of 600 cabowners failed to stop them. Some American cities might well follow the example of Johannesburg in regulating the tariff of fares the town council having decided that the existing first class cab rate of 24 cents a mile for the first two passengers and 12 cents for each additional passenger should prevail. In the case of time engagements taxicabs are not permitted to charge more than ten shillings (\$2.43) per hour, irrespective of the number of passengers.

tance through unexplored parts. As a result of the journey Mr. Lopp convinced himself that all of the district between Point Barrow, the most northerly point in Alaska and Cold Bay is adapted to the breeding of reindeer. He will recommend that reindeer herds be increased. Mr. Lopp reports much progress in educational work in Alaska; since he left here last July five new schools have been built on the Yukon River.

MOTHER OF CAPTAIN HAINS ON STAND

FLUSHING, N. Y., May 4.—Mrs. Virginia Jenkins Hains, mother of Captain Hains, concluded her testimony this afternoon after trying and pathetic ordeal in effort to have her son. Now that father, mother and two brothers of Captain Hains have testified the trial will soon reach the "Alienist stage." The defense has two more lay witnesses to examine and as this will be done tomorrow, five alienists retained to show that Hains is insane will probably testify Thursday. The testimony of Mrs. Hains, who is 69 years old, made a most dramatic incident of the trial so far. She sobbed throughout her examination by Chief Counsel McIntyre of the defense and when District Attorney Dewitt started his cross examination the strain proved too much for her. The hypothetical question in regard to Hains' sanity which will be submitted to alienists, contains 10,000 words.